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## ITALY.

*Reports from Naples—Inspection of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Buonocuore reports, August 24 and 31, as follows:

*Inspection service at Naples and Palermo, weeks ended August 22 and 29, 1903.*

## NAPLES.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of large baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.	Number of steerage passengers recommended for rejection.
Aug. 19	Calabria .....	New York .....	709	135	990	27
19	Liguria .....	do .....	506	60	975	37
22	Napolitan Prince .....	do .....	448	85	732	26
23	Buenos Aires .....	do .....	824	80	1, 076	31
26	Citta di Milano .....	do .....	736	140	935	30
27	Roma .....	do .....	725	200	1, 060	23
28	Prinzess Irene .....	do .....	719	160	1, 158	27

## PALERMO.

Aug. 24	Napolitan Prince .....	New York .....	520	50	700	57
27	Citta di Milano .....	do .....	336	50	475	41

## JAPAN.

*Report from Yokohama—Plague, cholérine and dysentery—Plague on Russian war vessel Otvazny at Nagasaki.*

Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, August 14 and 21, as follows: During the week ended August 8, 1903, 7 vessels, having a total personnel of 687 crew and 563 passengers, were inspected, 118 steerage passengers were bathed, and 190 pieces of baggage were disinfected. During this period no new cases of plague seem to have developed in Yokohama or elsewhere in Japan (excluding Formosa), though the usual official statement has not yet been received. Cases of cholera and cholérine continue to be reported from several districts in southern Japan. No cases of true cholera have recently been reported in this vicinity.

Week ended August 15, 1903, 4 vessels having an aggregate personnel of 337 crew and 621 passengers were inspected, 180 steerage passengers and 2 crew were bathed, and 248 pieces of baggage were disinfected.

The report of infectious diseases in this city for the week ended August 8 includes the following: Enteric fever, 8 cases, 2 deaths; diphtheria, 1 case, 1 death; dysentery, 17 cases, 1 death. Similarly for the week ended August 15: Enteric fever, 1 case, 1 death; plague, 1 case, 1 death (reported as doubtful); dysentery, 17 cases, 4 deaths. It will be observed that the plague situation is quiescent and that dysentery is a rather prevalent infection.

Cholera is reported to have broken out on board the Russian war vessel *Otvazny* at Nagasaki. Two genuine cases of the disease (1 fatal) and several suspicious cases have already occurred on that ship, which arrived at Nagasaki from Shanghai on August 18.